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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Kate Morrell, a Virginia girl, is in trouble in New York and tells a strange story about having been lured to a hotel and robbed. —— President Roosevelt yesterday sent to Congress the report as to the investigations of the Beef Trust. —— The Fifty-eighth Congress completed its term last night; differences between the Senate and House caused the Panama Canal bill to fail and the President has no authority to construct a sea level canal; the river and harbor bill passed after a close shave. —— In an interview at Washington yesterday Gen. Fitzhugh Lee said the Jamestown celebration will differ from any in the world's history, the feature being a naval marine and military exposition. —— In the desperate fighting this week around Mukden the Russians have lost 7,000 men; General Kuropatkin is retiring and extricating his army with difficulty. —— From the river and harbor bill, passed by Congress yesterday, $50,000 for Cape Fear river, probably between Wilmington and Fayetteville, was eliminated. —— The forecast at Washington to-day is for rain, but the prospects for a brilliant inaugural ceremony and magnificent in honor of President Roosevelt is good. —— New York markets: Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent; cotton was quiet at 7.7-; flour was steady; wheat spot barely steady. No 2 red $1.20½ f. o. b. afloat; corn, spot steady, No. 2 white 5-c; oats, spot steady, mixed 26@32 pounds, 37@38c; rosin firm spirits; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Dep't of Agriculture,
Weather Bureau,
Wilmington, N. C., Mar. 3.

Meteorological data for the twenty four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 35; 8 P. M., 45; degrees; maximum, 55 degrees; minimum 34 degrees; mean 44 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 rainfall since first of the month to date, .00 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. to-day (Friday) 11.6 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

Washington, March 3.—For North Carolina: Fair; warmer Saturday; Sunday fair; colder; fresh south winds, becoming northerly by Sunday.

Port Almanac—March 4,

Sun Rises..... 6 28 A. M.
Sun Sets..... 5 58 P. M.
Day's Length..... 11 H. 30 M.
High Water at Southport... 7.31 P. M.
High Water at Wilmington. 10.01 P. M.

The Senate found Judge Swayne not guilty of the things proven against him by the House.

A New York quilt manufacturer's wife caught him taking a ride with another woman. It is hard luck when even a quilt manufacturer isn't able to cover up his tracks.

Henry Clews, the banker, declares that there is too much money in the country. Wish he would furnish us a few clews about how to have the same feeling he does about it.

It is said that Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick has $1,000,000 snugged away but no one but her knows where it is. Her lawyers, however, will beat her to it if she doesn't be careful.

Says the Baltimore Sun: "Now Congress is fixing to make the Tobacco Trust smoke." Its all right if Congress will start in by making the trust smoke its own cigars.

In Persia the organizer of a trust is boiled to death. Ahem! In America he is put on the griddle and the fat fried out of him for lubricating the wheels of the political Juggernaut.

A Chicago University professor declares that women make a poor showing in mathematics. Just the same, however, women can always correctly calculate on being admired for their figures.

Uncle Sam has made a pretty good success at governing, but when it comes to engaging in business enterprises his overseers and agents become absorbed with the idea that it is their business to make more out of Uncle Sam's business than he does.

A Maryland man is suing another for $15,000 for alienation of the affections of his wife. The jury might give him a verdict, but it would be a shame to take the money for affections that don't appear to have been worth 30 cents.

The Representative of the Standard Oil Company in Kansas declares that his company has violated no law to justify the determination of the Legislature to run the company out of the State. He would have us believe that it is the Slandered Oil Company.

The Paris commission found the British trawlers guilty of scaring the Russian fleet. Great Britain is lucky in not having to pay for having such rakish looking craft in the track of a Russian fleet that looked on every floating thing as fishy.

Says the Norfolk Virginian Pilot: "The silence of some of the candidates for high offices in the State touching school book adoption is, so far, the most eloquent utterance of the campaign." Does our impertinent contemporary presume that a politician is going to give himself away before he finds out how the people stand on any question?

OFF FOR WASHINGTON

Wilmington Light Infantry and Many Civilians Gone to Presidential Inauguration.

COMPANY IN FINE SHAPE.

Animated Scene Around Railway Station Yesterday Evening—Some of the Visitors on Their Way—Other Notes of Inaugural Trip.

Feverish with the excitement of patriotic duty about to be performed, keenly anticipating the pleasures of the morrow, cheering wildly and being cheered in return by hundreds of friends at the station, the Wilmington Light Infantry left last evening at 6:50 o'clock on the northbound Atlantic Coast Line train for Washington, D. C., where they will take part to-day in the military features of the inauguration of the President of the United States. Half an hour before the departure of the train the company, in command of Capt. Wm. F. Robertson, and with 56 men in line, had marched to the station under special escort of a drum corps, consisting of Messrs. E. H. Munson, Frank P. Turrentine and W. L. Barkhelmer. Banners were flying, the tramp of feet was audible, the rattle of the drums went up in great volume and all combined to make the station about the busiest place in the city for the time being. The company was in excellent shape, the men individually were in fine trim and it goes without the saying that North Carolina will be well represented in the grand military pageant at the National Capitol to-day.

The company is travelling in the magnificent special Pullman car "Lauderdale," and barring accidents the boys will reach Washington at 7:50 o'clock this morning. Their car was attached to the fast train No. 32 at South Rocky Mount, the latter having been run in two sections last night to accommodate the extra travel incident to the inauguration. As the company had to report at the armory at 5:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, lunch was ordered for the boys at Richmond last night. They will breakfast in Washington this morning.

Besides the magnificent silk flag presented to the company by the ladies of Wilmington in May, 1888, the boys are also carrying with them for the parade two other novel banners that will at once designate them as North Carolina troops. Surmounted upon a staff is an excellent likeness of a large human foot, the heel of which is liberally tarred, while just beneath is a real pine bough, proclaiming in no uncertain terms the "Tar Heel" troops. The banners and insignia were conspicuously displayed at the station yesterday afternoon. Just before they boarded the cars, Capt. Robertson brought his men to attention under the shed and right heartily they gave three cheers for the drum corps, the members of which were unable to continue the trip. The train was in charge of the genial Capt. Haywood Clark and left well on time. With the single exception of Mr. G. B. Cooper, who was detained on account of the illness of his mother, the company left just as the roster was completed Thursday night as follows:

Captain—Wm. F. Robertson.
Lieutenants—J. McRee Hatch and Thos. R. Orrell.
Sergeants—R. N. Nash, H. G. Whitney, George Davis, J. W. Jackson, Jr., and E. L. Heinsberger.
Corporals—S. C. Potts, P. L. Cantwell, Thos. J. Gause, L. E. Hall and J. Holmes Davis.
Privates—A. P. Adrian, F. P. Bailey, Fred Banck, Zach. Bell, A. G. Bowden, H. Z. Clowe, G. R. Davis, P. Davis, J. B. Everett, R. C. DeRosset, W. L. Grant, H. R. Falson, J. F. Gause, W. W. Finerin, A. T. Gibbons, Percy Hall, Fred Hamme, Louis Hatch, A. A. Hergenrother, Pierre Holmer, W.M. Kenly, J. J. Loughlin, W. A. Little, Herman Meredith, Clarence Mills, W. P. Monroe, W. Hull Moore, Walter Morris, Neill Morse, Clarence Myers, James McFarland, L. B. McKoy, R. H. McKoy, Norwood Orrell, J. S. Potts, Ben Shepherd, A. C. Smith, W. L. Smith, Jr., C. S. Southerland, W.L. Walker, Willie Watters.

Col. Walker Taylor, the genial militarian, who is always identified with any public-spirited movement in Wilmington, went along as the special guest of the company, travelling with Capt. Robertson as a "high private in the rear ranks," having been shorn of his higher military honors by the recent change of administration in Raleigh, quite to the indifference of the colonel.

Exclusive of passes and the military, the A. C. L. on Thursday and yesterday handled 91 inauguration passengers from Wilmington and handled them with great satisfaction. Among those who left last evening were: Messrs. Hugh MacRae, M. F. H. Gouverneur, Dr. C. P. Bolles, R. C. Platt, N N. Davis, Albert Verney, Dr. Joseph Akerman, Mrs. M. L. McLeod, Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Stover and child, Miss Hattie Powers, Miss Sallie Murphy, John H. Rehder, J. T. Burke, J. W. Jackson, J. S. Mitchell, M. M. Gregg, W. F. McNeill, J. O. Tiller, Jr., M Griffin, T. H. Jackson, W. C. Corbett, Gus Christoffersen, B. S. Meeks, Sam Royall, Milton Gore and Tom Bryan.

Gov. Glenn and party left Raleigh on a special car over the Seaboard at noon yesterday and reached Washington at 8:36 last night. The party was joined at Raleigh by Battery A, of Charlotte. The headquarters of the Governor and his party will be at the Hotel Johnson on Pennsylvania avenue and Thirteenth street, North west.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The Polvogt Co. will open its new store in the Heyer building on Monday.

— Fifth District cases will be called in the Supreme Court at Raleigh next week.

— Mr. T. M. Goodman, formerly of Charlotte, has opened a new bicycle store at No. 216 Market street.

— The Health Department yesterday quarantined a colored man for smallpox at a house on Dawson, between Fourth and Fifth streets.

— Owing to the fact that satisfactory hotel accommodations could not be had at Elizabeth City, the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows will meet in Raleigh this year. The date is May 9th.

— License was issued yesterday for the marriage of George Cochran Snyder, 43 years old, of Leesonia, Pa., and Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Boardman, of Manchester, England.

— A handsome veterans' jewel has been presented to Mr. J. H. W. Bonitz, of this city, by the Goldsboro lodge, K. of P., Mr. Bonitz having been a charter member of the lodge there.

— A special service for the young people was held last night at the Salvation Army post, on Second street. Adjutant Wiggins had for his subject, "What am I Doing with My Life?"

— Sparks from a chimney at the residence of Mrs. Alice Skipper, 705 South Eighth street, caused a small fire which called the department out at 11:45 A. M. yesterday in response to an alarm from box 52.

— A purse laid for a moment on a piano in his store on Second street and containing $100 in bills, was stolen from Mr. W. J. Davis this week. A number of customers were in the store at the time and Mr. Davis thinks he has a clue to, the thief but is awaiting devolopments.

— "To Hell and Back" will be the subject of Pilgrim Frank Draper, of The Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society of Aelegheny, Pa., at the I. O. O. F. building, Sunday at 3:30 P. M. The public is invited. No collections. Preaching at 8 P. M.

— The STAR is requested to state that the announcement by the theatre management that Miss Annie Kure would take part in the amateur feature of the show last night was wholly without warrant. This statement is cheerfully made by this paper, which has no desire to place any one in a false position before the community.

Mr. Perry's Mother Dead.

A telegram received in the city yesterday evening by Mr. J. A. Perry, formerly superintendent of streets of the city, brought him the sad intelligence that his mother, Mrs. S. J. Perry, had died at the home of another son, Mr. Amos Perry, in Fayetteville at 5:45 o'clock the same afternoon, after an illness since last Sunday. Mr. Perry had just returned from Fayetteville the day before and while the death was not unexpected, it came as a sad blow to him. Mrs. Perry was 67 years of age and lived in Wilmington for a long time prior to two years ago when she went to Fayetteville to live with her son. She was the widow of the late Amos Perry, and was held in the highest esteem by all who knew her. She leaves besides the sons in Wilmington and Fayetteville, one other, Mr. D. J. Perry, of Onslow county. The funeral will be held in Fayetteville Sunday afternoon with interment in the cemetery there.

Mayor's Noon Reception.

Mayor Springer had three offenders at the bar of justice in the police court yesterday. Tom Coker, the 15-year-old boy charged with obstructing the sidewalk by shooting marbles thereon, was discharged with a reprimand. The boy was arrested by Special Officer Thos. H. Crews, a night watchman. Thos. Mulford, an unfortunate young white man addicted to the drug as well as the liquor habit, was arraigned for being drunk and down. He was given 30 days on the roads, but judgment was later suspended on condition that he leave town by sundown. D. Burke, a white sailor, was fined $5 and costs for being drunk and down.

Pastor Hale's Anniversary.

At the First Baptist church Sunday morning Pastor Fred D. Hale will preach his first anniversary sermon. All the members and friends of the church are invited to be present at this special service. The pastor's "First Annual Letter" will be distributed, containing the names of the 152 new members who have united with the church during the past year.

Next Lyceum Attraction.

The next attraction in the Lyceum course of the Academy of Music is the Alice Carey Concert Co., which will be seen Tuesday night. It is said to be an organization of real merit and capable of giving a high class entertainment. The sale of seats for subscribers will open at Plummer's this morning and for the general public Monday morning.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice—In bankruptcy.
Academy—"Buffalo Bill."
W. B. Cooper—Nitrate soda.
J. M. Solky & Co.—Clearing sale.
Notice—To Columbus Telephone Co.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Registered druggist.

Apricot Brandy, the staff of life. If you don't believe it ask Louis Cappa. †

Drink Apricot Brandy, a great appetizer. Ask John C. Bosch. †

A DOUBLE TRAGEDY.

Crazed by Liquor and Jealousy Young White Man Shot Woman, Then Himself.

BOTH VICTIMS ARE DEAD.

Suicide Was Solicitor for Picture Firm in Norfolk; His Victim, Stella Campbell, a White Woman of Questionable Character.

Crazed by jealousy of a woman with whom he had become infatuated after an acquaintance of only a few days and half-mad with drink after a spree of perhaps a little more than a week, H. R. Smith, 26 years old, a picture agent employed by the Home Art Company, of Norfolk, Va., last night at 10:40 o'clock shot and killed Stella Campbell, a white woman of questionable character, and then turned the pistol upon himself, ending his own life, with one of the three well directed shots which caused the double tragedy. The shooting occurred in the room of the Campbell woman at the house of Gussie Greer, on MacRae street, and both the victims died within an hour after being removed to the James Walker Memorial Hospital by Dr. Guthrie, acting surgeon in charge, the ball having penetrated the brain of each of the patients, who were beyond hope the moment the shots were fired.

The only eye witness of the tragedy was an associate of King's, a Mr. H. B. Learry, one of the district managers of the Home Art Co., who was seated within a few feet of both the victims when the shooting took place, but who was paralyzed with excitement and astonishment when the young man drew the pistol, being powerless to prevent the suicide of his associate. The proprietress of the house immediately notified the police, and Acting Chief Williams and Acting Captain Burnett were soon on the scene, but could do no more than hold Mr. Learry as a witness for the coroner's inquest, which Dr. Bell has called for this morning.

Mr. Learry was seen last night at the station house, and, though highly nervous, he told a free, open story of the affair. He said that young Smith came to Wilmington from the up country a week ago last Saturday to close up and deliver some business the company had done here last season. They had rooms at 113 Market street, a boarding house kept by Mrs. Foreman, a highly respectable lady. Young Smith had been drinking quite heavily since he came here, but was able to attend to business. Thursday afternoon he took the Campbell woman to ride, and upon returning to the house on McRae street, she repulsed him and he went away, taking for revenge merely, a comb and brush and a hand mirror from a dresser in one of the rooms. Yesterday morning, it seems, the Campbell woman sent him word that unless the property was returned, she would have him indicted. Last night, with Mr. Learry, who desired that the young man would have no trouble with the woman, he went to the house about 10 o'clock and sat for a moment in the hall room. Presently the Campbell woman came in and exchanged a greeting with Smith, evidently as if nothing had happened. Later, in order to settle the matter of the comb and brush, Mr. Learry accompanied Smith to the Campbell woman's room, on the second floor at the rear of the house. The three talked pleasantly in the room for a few minutes with the display of not the least animosity on either side. The Campbell woman stepped outside for a moment, but just as she opened the door upon her return to the room, in the twinkling of an eye and without the least intimation of his purpose, Smith drew a 32-calibre Iver Johnson revolver from his pocket, after arising from a rocking chair, and fired at the woman. She sank forward to the floor and as Smith stared at her drooping figure, he evidently realized, for the first time what he had done, turned the pistol upon himself and sent a bullet crashing into his brain, firing another in rapid succession. He sank into the rocking chair from which he had just arisen and Mr. Learry gave the alarm as quickly as possible. Dr. Guthrie responded in the ambulance within a short time and the woman was conveyed to the hospital first. She died in half an hour, the bullet having entered the forehead between the ridges of the eyebrows, going directly to the brain, a part of which exuded from the wound. Smith was next conveyed to the hospital but died within three-quarters of an hour after arriving there, the ball having entered just behind the right ear, penetrating the brain, opening one of the large blood vessels and causing a profuse hemorrhage. A small piece of the bullet was taken from the brain while Dr. Guthrie was making a superficial examination of the wound.

The Campbell woman is a sister of Effie Campbell, who ended her life by taking carbolic acid about two weeks ago. A third sister, Jennie Campbell, lives in the same house in which the shooting occurred last night. Smith is said to be the son of a well-to-do farmer residing in Michigan. He was well dressed, has a fine countenance and bears the stamp of refinement. He is said to be a veteran of the Spanish-American war and a pensioner from the government, having been four times wounded at the battle of San Juan Hill. Mr. Learry, though comparatively a stranger to Smith, will notify the family and arrange for the burial after the inquest this morning.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Rev. Marvin Culbreth is visiting in Raleigh.

— Miss Leslie Worthington, of Southport, is visiting in the city.

— Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Brown have gone to New York on a business trip.

— Mrs. Walter Rutland and children, of Augusta, are guests of Mrs. T. E. Sprunt.

— Mrs. E. Piner and children have returned from a visit to Goldsboro and Raleigh.

— Mr. and Mrs. L. Stein have gone to Baltimore, but will stop over in Washington to attend the inauguration.

— Mr. Leon Barnard, of the Hersey Water Metre Co., is in the city on business with the Clarendon Water Works Co.

— Mr. R. C. Platt, of the firm of Platt & Haar, left last night for Washington, D. C. Later he will visit New York and other northern cities to buy goods.

— Mr. S. T. Ashe has returned from Wilson, N. C., where he went Wednesday on account of the death of his brother-in-law, Capt. Amos Hines, one of the leading citizens of Wilson county.

— Mr. S. Henry Sneeden left last night for Washington, D. C., to attend the inauguration and to make that city his home in the future. He will live with his sister, Mrs. G. S. Butts, No. 820 D Street, Southwest.

— Mr. and Mrs. A. Nathan have returned from Charlotte, where they had been for about a month on account of the serious illness of their son, Mr. Marks Nathan. Young Mr. Nathan is now able to be out and is regaining rapidly his health.

— After a couple of days business trip to Chadbourn, Mr. R. M. Wescott has returned to the city. Mr. Wescott reports that Chadbourn is expanding along all lines and is one of the most prosperous towns and communities in the State.

— Mrs. C. S. King, widow of the late Mr. King who was killed in an accident at the Cape Fear Lumber mill about three weeks ago, will leave this morning with her children, returning to their former home in Pennsylvania.

— Dr. Joseph Akerman, surgeon in charge of the James Walker Memorial Hospital, left last night for Washington, to see the inauguration. Later he will go on to Baltimore on a professional trip. Dr. Guthrie is in charge of the hospital during Dr. Akerman's absence.

— Ex-Judge E. K. Bryan and J. O. Carr Esq., left yesterday for Onslow county on professional business in connection with the Tolman bond case. The witnesses examined before Referee Martin in Wilmington this week testified in behalf of the bondholders instead of as to irregularities in the issue as was erroneously stated yesterday.

JUDGE FERGUSON HERE.

On His Way to Bladen—Sensation in Columbus Superior Court Monday.

Judge Garland S. Ferguson, of Waynesville, arrived in the city yesterday from Whiteville where he held Columbus Superior Court, and is a guest at Mrs. Cronly's, Fifth and Orange streets. Judge Ferguson will leave to-morrow to open Bladen Superior Court at Elizabethtown. No cases of special interest were disposed of in Columbus court. The case of J. W. Collins, charged with the murder of his adopted son, Jeff. Davis, was continued until the April term and set for Wednesday of the first week of that term, the continuance having been upon affidavit of the absence of a material witness for the defendant. Five defendants were sentenced to terms of from two to eight months on the roads, but none of the cases is of interest.

Monday, soon after Judge Ferguson's charge to the grand jury, the solicitor called on the calendar the name of W. P. Ward. Some one stated that the defendant was in the court room, but was sick with smallpox. Then there was a general exodus through windows, doors and every other possible outlet. Judge Ferguson ordered the man to leave the court room at once, remarking that if he would leave he could get most anything he wanted, but that if he remained he could get most anything he didn't want. The man went to Dr. Maxwell, who did not confirm the layman's diagnosis that the patient had smallpox. At any rate he was not allowed to come back to court and his case was continued.

Steam Pipe Bursted.

Soon after clearing at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon for the regular trip to Southport, one of the large steam pipes from the boiler to the engine on the steamer "Sea Gate" bursted and incapacitated the boat for further service until repairs were made. Fortunately no one was hurt by the bursting of the pipe. The "Sea Gate" was towed back to the city by the government tug "Cynthia" and immediate repairs will be made.

Pilotage Situation.

There were further conferences of committees representing the pilots and business men yesterday, but nothing thus far has been accomplished; leastwise nothing is given out for publication. A special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce will likely be called early the coming week to consider the matter.

NEARING THE END.

Little of Interest in Either Branch of the General Assembly Yesterday.

A SNEAK BILL ATTEMPTED.

Effort Made to Repeal Watts' Act Promptly Thwarted—No More Bills Without Unanimous Consent—Judicial Districts—Other Notes.

[Special Star Telegram.]

Raleigh, N. C., March 3.—The House of Representatives to-night, after three hours' discussion, killed the bill that had passed the Senate for the establishment of a Bureau of Immigration and the appointment of a Commissioner of Immigration. The vote was 70 to 30.

The House adopted a resolution this afternoon to the effect that no bills be introduced in future except by unanimous consent. The Winborne bill to divide the State into two judicial circuits, the Eastern circuit consisting of the first eight districts and the Western of the remaining eight, passed, and it is understood that there will be no trouble about its passing the Senate. Under the operation of the bill judges will be required to ride only the districts in the circuit in which they reside instead of riding the whole State, as the present law requires.

A bill passed to repair the Senate chamber at a cost of $3,000.

The Senate Judiciary Committee had a lengthy discussion this afternoon of the McNinch divorce bill and it passed finally, by a vote in which the chairman had to break a tie deciding to report it favorably. Mason, of Gaston, offered a substitute that all divorce laws since 1883 be repealed, saying that while he was not heartily in favor of his own substitute even, he preferred it to the McNinch bill and contended that the crusade against divorce was all wrong and there ought to be divorce for abandonment, but in deference to sentiment to the contrary, he offered his substitute. He and Vann, Eller, Burton and some others of the seven who opposed favorable report of the McNinch bill, gave notice of their intention to fight it on the floor of the Senate.

The House tonight tabled the Empie bill to allow justices of the peace fees in certain cases. It came up with an unfavorable report from the House committee. Representative Boney was asked to explain the bill and he answered that he knew nothing about it. The motion to table quickly followed and it was carried unanimously.

There was an attempt to-night to sneak a bill through the House to repeal the Watts act. It was while a great number of local bills were being reeled off that one came up to "Repeal Chapter 338, Acts of 1903," by Campbell, of Alexander. Out of an abundance of precaution, as Speaker Guion expressed it, Biggs, of Durham, was asked to look up that Chapter and it was found to be the Watts act. Of course the bill lost no time in getting tabled. Campbell is a Republican.

The Morning Sessions.

Both branches of the General Assembly were engaged this morning with a large number of local bills and those of no special importance. The Senate passed the general appropriation bill as it came from the House; also passed the special act, giving the Morganton hospital $10,000 additional. The House passed the geological survey bill, carrying an appropriation of $10,000; also $10,000 for fire precautions at the State institutions. The House passed the bill to protect theatre goers, by forbidding the increase of the price of tickets after they go on sale. The general school bill was discussed in the House for a greater portion of the morning, but it finally went over until 11 o'clock to-morrow. A message was read in both houses from Governor Glenn, advising against the abolition of the geological survey and submitting letters from Washington giving in detail the co-operation by the national government. The omnibus bill appointing justices of the peace passed the Senate and went to the House. The oyster bill was amended in the Senate so the tax will remain the same as now. Senator Scales, in behalf of the pages and the laborers in the Senate, presented to Sergeant-at-Arms L. Brown Pegram a handsome gold watch. The Woodard bucket shop bill was made the special order for to-morrow. In the House a resolution by Mr. Winborne was carried to the effect that from now until adjournment all speeches on bills be limited to five minutes and to not more than two on a side. A large number of purely local bills passed in an avalanche, though none of interest was introduced.

AMATEURS WON HONORS.

Interesting Feature of Academy Attraction Last Night—Matinee This Afternoon.

The Paige Comedy Co. appeared to a rather large audience at the Academy last night, completing the evening's entertainment with a vaudeville act by amateurs in competition for three cash prizes of $3, $2, and $1. The first prize was won by Willie Daniels; second by Fred. Gerken and the third by Ed. Reilly. That feature of the performance was much enjoyed by the audience.

This afternoon at a special matinee for ladies and children "Old Plantation" will be presented and to-night "Buffalo Bill." Seats are now on sale at Plummer's.

The Best Drilled Man.

The three commissioned officers of the W. L. I., Capt. William F. Robertson and Lieutenants J. McRee Hatch and Thomas R. Orrell, have jointly purchased a very handsome gold medal which they will award once every three months to the best drilled member of the company. The contest will commence with the regular inspection drill of the company next month and upon the similar occasion in June the officers will decide upon the best drilled man and will award him the medal. Then the contest will start afresh and upon the third subsequent monthly inspection night, the medal will be re-awarded. The medal will be a great incentive to the soldier boys, and good results are expected.

BUSY, BUSY.

The people know good things when they see them. Six days ago we started our Semi-Annual Clearing sale with thousands of dollars worth of

FineClothing

Underwear and Colored Top Shirts.

And the following Low Prices has proven a great inducement to buyers

Men's	$7 50	Suits	now	$6 15	Men's	7 00	Pants now 5 50
"	10 00	"	"	8 25	"	6 50	" " 5 00
"	11 00	"	"	8 75	"	6 00	" " 4 75
"	12 50	"	"	10 00	"	5 50	" " 4 25
"	13 50	"	"	10 75	"	5 00	" " 4 00
"	15 00	"	"	12 50	"	4 50	" " 3 75
"	16 50	"	"	13 50	"	4 00	" " 3 25
"	18 00	"	"	14 50	"	3 50	" " 2 75
"	20 00	"	"	16 00	"	3 00	" " 2 35
"	22 50	"	"	18 00	"	2 50	" " 2 00

Underwear at Low Prices.

.50	cents	Shirts or Drawers	.40
.75	"	" "	.60
1.00	"	" "	.80
1.25	"	" "	1.00
1.50	"	" "	1.15
2.50	"	" "	2 00

Colored Top Shirts.

50	cents	Shirts	.40
75	"	"	.60
1.00	"	"	.80
1.25	"	"	1.00
1.50	"	"	1.15
2.00	"	"	1.60

300 Children's Suits, sizes from three to sixteen years, in all the latest styles at the following reduction:

Youth's	$5.00	Suits	now $ 4.00
"	6.00	"	" 4.75
"	7.50	"	" 5.75
"	10.00	"	" 8.00
"	11.00	"	" 8.50
"	13.50	"	" 9.50
"	13.50	"	" 10.00
"	15.00	"	" 12.00
"	16.00	"	" 12.50
Child	$1.50	Suit	now $1.35
"	2.00	"	" 1.65
"	2.25	"	" 1.75
"	2.50	"	" 2.00
"	3.00	"	" 2.35
"	4.00	"	" 3.35
"	5.00	"	" 4.00
"	6.00	"	" 4.75

OVERCOATS AT GREATLY REDUCED PRICES.

Men's Black and Gray	$10.00	Overcoats	now $ 6.50
Men's Black and Gray	12.00	Overcoats	now 8 00
Men's Black and Gray	13.50	Overcoats	now 9.00
Men's Black and Gray	15.00	Overcoats	now 10 00
Men's Black and Gray	16.00	Overcoats	now 10.50
Men's Black and Gray	18.00	Overcoats	now 11 50
Men's Black and Gray	22.50	Overcoats	now 16.50

Sweaters and Cardigan Jackets at 2-3 of Their Regular Value. Boys' Knee Pants, all Sizes, Reduced

You have a few more days to take advantage of the above prices—so don't wait for the last minute but come at once and get your choice.

J. M. SOLKY & CO.,
One Price Clothiers and Furnishers,
mar 4 tf Masonic Temple Building.

Palace Barber Shop.

Julius A. Murray, proprietor of the Palace Barber Shop, is installing the fixtures in his new place in the handsome new Heyer building. Everything is thoroughly up-to-date and the finest that could be bought. He will have a beauty palace, indeed. The new shop is entered from the Chesnut street side of the building.

The "Light House" for an oyster roast! Everything new. Electric lights. Cheerful open fires. Last car leaves Wrightville at 10:30 P.M.; heated, closed cars. The 8 o'clock car from town comes back as far as the Light House at 4:30 P. M. to give you an opportunity to get an oyster roast as well as visit the the ocean.

On pleasant days there is no better place to spend an hour or two than the beach. The 10 o'clock car lays over to the beach an hour and three quarters. The 3 o'clock car lays over an hour and one quarter.

Church Notices.

First Presbyterian Church, corner Third and Orange streets: Divine services to-morrow at 11 A M and 7 30 P. M., with preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. M. Wells. Sunday school at 4 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. The pews are free and all are cordially invited to attend.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McGilvary, D. D., pastor. Sabbath services at 11.00 A M and 7.30 P. M. Sabbath School at 3:30 P. M. Prayer meeting and lecture Wednesday at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

Religious services will be conducted at the Seamen's Bethel to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, by Rev. A. D McGhee, D. D. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All are welcome.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice to the Bondholders of New Hanover County.

The Board of Commissioners of New Hanover County by virtue of the power and authority given them by Section 4 of an Act entitled "an Act to empower the Board of Commissioners of New Hanover County to issue bonds for the erection of a Court House and for other purposes" passed at the 1891 session of the General Assembly of North Carolina, have called in for payment twelve (12) of the bonds issued under the authority given in said act, said bonds being of the denomination of $500.00 each, dated January 1st, 1892, and payable January 1st, 1907, and numbered respectively 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 34, 35, 37, 39 and 41, and notice is hereby given to the holders of said bonds to present them for payment at The Atlantic National Bank in the city of Wilmington, N. C., on Tuesday, the 31st day of March, 1905, and the holders of said bonds are further notified that all interest upon the bonds above named and mentioned shall cease and stop from and after said day as provided in said act.

This the 18th day of February, 1905.

D. McEACHERN,
Chairman of the Board of Commissioners of New Hanover County.
2s feb 18 4t

Last Call

FOR 1904 CITY TAXES.

Advertisement list (sale of land for taxes) is now being prepared.

Unless payment is made AT ONCE property will be advertised and cost will be added to the tax.

B F. KING,
City Tax Collector.
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YOU GET

Heat, Light, Water, Janitor and Elevator service when you rent an office in that splendid building, corner Front and Chesnut streets

IF YOU WANT TO BUY

or sell Real Estate, call 'phone 307. I'll handle your business promptly.

W. A. DICK
ja 30 tf Real Estate Agent.

Nitrate Soda.

60,000 POUNDS

Nitrate Soda

2½ cents pound.

Due Wednesday, March 8th.

Order quick.

W. B. COOPER,
Importer,
mar 4 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Notice to the Stockholders of the Columbus Telephone Co.

The Stockholders of the Columbus Telephone Company will take notice that at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Columbus Telephone Co., duly called and held in the office of B. F. Keith, Secretary and Treasurer of the Company, in the city of Wilmington on the 1st day of March, 1905, at 11 o'clock a. M., the following resolution was unanimously adopted every member of the Board being present at said meeting:

Resolved that in the judgment of this Board it is advisable and the most for the benefit of the Columbus Telephone Company, that the same should be forthwith dissolved and to that end it is ordered that a meeting of the stockholders be held on Tuesday, the 4th day of April, 1905, at 12 o'clock noon at the office of B. F. Keith, Secretary and Treasurer of the Company, in the city of Wilmington, to take action upon this resolution.

And further that the Secretary forthwith give notice of said meeting and of the adoption of this resolution within ten days from this date by publishing the said resolution with a notice of its adoption in The Morning Star, a newspaper published in the city of Wilmington, for at least four weeks, once a week successively, and by mailing a written or printed copy of same to each and every stockholder of this Company in the United States.

B. F. KEITH, Secretary.
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In the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of North Carolina: In the matter of J. W. Talton, Bankrupt. In bankruptcy. To the creditors of J. W. Talton, of Coats, in the county of Harnett, in said district, bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of February, A. D., 1905, the said J. W. Talton was duly adjudged a bankrupt; and that the first creditors' meeting will be held in Fayetteville N. C., on the 16th day of March, 1905, at 3 o'clock P. M., at the office of the Referee. At which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting. If examination of bankrupt is desired, please advise me. Respectfully,

SAM'L H. MACRAE,
Referee in Bankruptcy.
Fayetteville, N. C., March 1, 1905. mar 4 4t

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

Paige Comedy Company

TO-NIGHT

"Buffalo Bill."

10 Big Vaudeville Acts 10.

Special Matinee This Afternoon

"Old Plantation."

Prices—10, 20 and 30 cents.

Seats on sale at Plummer's. mar 4 1t

NOTICE

I respectfully notify my friends and patrons that I have turned over to Mr. W. Van Hardin, 119 Princess street, my stock of Wines and Liquors and he will in the future offer for sale all the brands formerly sold by me, which includes the SOLE AGENCY of the R. A. Stuart's Rockbridge Rye. Thanking them for the liberal patronage to me I respectfully solicit a continuance of the same for him.

Respectfully,
N. B. HANKIN.
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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 4

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

It is gratifying to note the action of Congress in the prompt passage of the bill providing for government participation in the exposition to be held on the waters of Hampton Roads to celebrate the three hundredth anniversary of the first permanent settlement of the English in America. That settlement was made at Jamestown in 1607 and from it grew a great nation of English-speaking people, with the liberal and enlightened ideas of the mother country, and the establishment of a Republic that represents the ideal government of man. It is a most worthy event to be celebrated, for the principal fact that it made North America English and brought the whole country the blessings of free and popular government as conceived after the more perfect ideal of the English mind. All America ought to celebrate with gratitude and pride the event which was the beginning of the greatness and happiness of this favored land.

We regret that Congress did not appropriate $1,000,000 for the Jamestown celebration, instead of the insignificant sum of $250,000. Yet our Virginia friends were glad enough to get that to supplement the $1,200 000, which the patriotic and public spirited people of Virginia have subscribed for the exposition, which is to partake of a naval, military and marine display, demonstrating the modern achievements in that line of the world's endeavor. At the same time we have no doubt that the industrial feature of the exposition will be one of its distinguishing characteristics. Now that the appropriation by the government has been made, the Virginians can mark out the scope for their (our) exposition and its greater magnitude will depend upon the interest and participation of the States. North Carolina should lose no time in taking action for participation, and therefore, we hope the bill of Senator Eller, of Forsyth, now pending in the General Assembly, will be passed. It appropriates $50,000 for a North Carolina display, and we hope to see the Old North State make a good showing at the exposition.

MAKES US ENVIOUS.

The following from the Charlotte News is well calculated to make Wilmington envious of the Queen City of North Carolina:

"During the month of February 4,065 books were issued by the Carnegie Library, which is the largest number that has been taken out in any single month since the library was established and 25 per cent. more books than are contained in the circulation department. The library has become a necessity in the community and it should be sustained and supported on the proper basis. The public is showing its deep appreciation of the excellent institution and the patronage is increasing each month."

Wilmington has no public library and turned down the proposition to secure one under the terms of Mr. Carnegie's plan to encourage the establishment of such institutions. Wilmington's hope for a public library now centers on the effort of Sorosis, that band of brainy and public spirited women of our city who have already the nucleus of a library and who should have the united and hearty encouragement of the people of Wilmington in their public spirited purpose.

SPECIAL PRIVILEGES—NIT.

One of the principles of the Democratic party is to feed everybody out of the same spoon. "Equal rights to all; special privileges to none." One thing that should give the people confidence in the Democratic party is that it is broad and big enough to correct its errors. The laws, good or bad, of a Democratic legislature should bear equally upon all, and when it is found that they do not the Democratic party is simply setting itself straight when it corrects its errors.

Laws are passed for the benefit of all the people and no act of the General Assembly, by hook or crook, can be construed as a contract with any single man or firm. If any act so intends, or in effect grants special privileges, it is unconstitutional. The constitution of North Carolina is very wisely and positively plain on that question. The constitution is eminently Democratic along that line.

Strikes Hidden Rocks.

When your ship of health strikes the hidden rocks of consumption, pneumonia, etc., you are lost if you don't get help from Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. J. W. McKinnon, of Talladega, Springs, Ala., writes: "I had been very ill with pneumonia, under the care of two doctors, but was getting no better, when I began to take Dr. King's New Discovery. The first dose gave relief, and one bottle cured me." Its a sure cure for throat, bronchitis, coughs and colds. Guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store; price 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free.

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE AMERICAN REVIEW OF REVIEWS

The March number of the American Monthly Review of Reviews is one that commends itself to the thinking American reader. The best thought of the country on matters of importance in this country and in foreign lands appears in this magazine while the questions are in the public mind for solution. The discussions are able and luminous, and if one wishes to keep up with events of the times he can turn confidently to the pages of this comprehensive American publication. The March number contains among other valuable articles discussions on such subjects as follows: "The Doom of Autocracy," "Santo Domingo and the United States;" "Washington's Civic Awakening," (illustrated; "The Civil Service Under Roosevelt;" "The United States Postoffice;" "The Rise of La Follette;" "Politics in the Northwest;" "The Great Revival in Wales," etc. No feature of the magazine is stronger than the editorial writings of Dr. Albert Shaw. He is an editor of keen insight and clear judgment and brings fine ability as a writer to bear upon questions of the hour. He writes in this number of "The New Presidential Term;" "Mr. Roosevelt and the Senate;" "Railroad Rates and Rebates;" "Assassination in Russia" and "The War." We merely skim over the surface of the excellencies of the Review of Reviews, the subscription price of which is $2 50 a year, or 25c per copy. Address "The "Review of Reviews" Co., 13 Astor Place, New York.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—Of course, the Senate committee will not travel on passes when it goes out during the vacation to investigate the railroads. Perish the thought!—Washington Post.

—Former Senator Chandler's prediction that Bryan will be elected in 1908, if the Congress does not do something for the people, does not seem to have scared the Senate worth a cent.—Washington Post.

—Several recent dispatches from Washington make special comment on the fact that the South is to be so largely represented at the inauguration of Roosevelt. In some respects it is said the South will be more largely represented than any other section of the country. Well, times do change, for sure.—Columbia Record.

—It is announced that immediately after March 4th the President's cousin, Consul Roosevelt, of Brussels, will be removed. Why? Is he not a good official? He is one of the men whom President Cleveland assured on entering the Presidency that he would be retained on account of his good work. It is true that Cousin Roosevelt has been in office a good many years, but while this might seem to a spoilsmonger a reason for his removal it is no reason why a civil service reformer should remove him.—Philadelphia Record.

—A revival was introduced in Brooklyn last night by a great procession of ministers and their congregations. This will be sneered at in some quarters as an appeal to emotionalism. So were the great sound money parades in New York in 1896 and 1900; so are all political demonstrations; so were the "war meetings" of the civil war, which old men can remember. It is generally necessary to arouse a man's emotions in order to get him to act.—Philadelphia Record.

TWINKLINGS.

— Hewitt—How many meals did you have on the voyage? Jewett—Gross or net?—Brooklyn Life.

— The Blunderbuss—She—The expression on my new photographs isn't natural. He—No, but it's very pretty.—Detroit Free Press.

— "A clear conscience," said Uncle Eben, "is a great luxury, but in dishere sinful, mule-tradin' world it's li'ble to be mo' or less expensive."—Washington Star.

— Nell—Somebody told me to-day that I was handsome. Belle—When was that? Nell—To-day. Belle—No; I mean when were you handsome?—Philadelphia Ledger.

— She—I wonder why Mrs. Jones left the church before the end of the service? He—I don't know; perhaps she is a somnambulist.—Phila. Telegraph.

— One of the Girls—Why, there's Mr. Scorcher! It seems strange that he should be studying medicine. The Man—Not at all. Doctors are allowed to exceed the speed limit.—Life.

— "Look here!" exclaimed the irate investor. "I believe I have been bunkoed in the stock you sold me." "My dear man," replied the suave-voiced broker, "you fail to realize—" "That's just the trouble; I haven't realized a cent."—The Chicago News.

— Kate—And you are really going to marry Fred Squanders! They say he never does anything. Corinthia—That's where they do him a great wrong. Why, he is one of the most active of men. It was only yesterday morning that I heard he had painted the town the night before. Just think of that!—Boston Transcript.

— "Mother, Henry writes that he has ter have money right away fer to git an autymobile." "Land sakes! What does he mean by sech extravagance?" "Extravagance? Looks ter me like its the fust time he ever had enny idee 'bout economy. He says he lives so fur from the college he wants it ter save car fare."—Judge.

Startling Mortality.

Statistics show startling mortality from appendicitis and peritonitis. To prevent and cure these awful diseases there is just one reliable remedy, Dr. King's New Life Pills. M. Flannery, of 14 Custom House Place, Chicago, says: "They have no equal for constipation and billiousness." Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Charlotte News: The News extends a cordial welcome to Cameron Morrison, Esq., who has given up a lucrative practice at Rockingham and bright prospects of a seat in Congress, to cast his lot with the best people on earth in the best town in the Carolinas.

— Charlotte Observer: Onslow county, it appears, is now in the courts in an effort to repudiate $40,000 of bonds issued in aid of a railroad. The contention is that the act authorizing the bonds was not properly put through the Legislature. The fate of the Stanly and Wilkes county cases doesn't appear to have had much effect.

— Charlotte News: The bill introduced by Dr. H. Q. Alexander, limiting the poll tax to $2 for State and county and $1 for city, has been defeated by a vote of 50 to 40. We regret this, as the poll tax is too high in Mecklenburg and some other counties, and is burdensome to certain classes of our people. This bill ought to have passed.

— Charlotte Observer: The Governor and the Legislature have done well to bring about a settlement of the outstanding bonds issued in aid of the Western North Carolina railroad. The total amount to be paid for the 242 bonds held by Schafer Brothers, of New York, is $215,864, which is $447,216 less than the principal and interest. These are exclusive of the ten bonds on which South Dakota recently secured judgment and for the payment of which the Legislature will also make provision.

— Winston-Salem Sentinel: In some instances where men apply for pardons judges and jurymen sign the petition, their reason being that there was doubt about the man's guilt in the first place. It seems to us that there should not be occasion for the advancing of such a reason. If a man is guilty he should be punished. If there is doubt as to his guilt he should not be compelled to suffer for some one else's misdeed and the jury and judges should see to it that he does not.

— Winston-Salem Sentinel: A bill has been introduced in the Legislature providing that county commissioners may fix hotel rates in certain instances. Of course the measure will not pass. It would be an easy step from a provision of this kind to a condition where the county commissioners could regulate prices in other lines of business and there would be no telling where the thing might stop. Too much interference with a private business is not desirable in a county or a State and the Legislature does well to recognize this fact.

— Surveyors who are at work on the contemplated improvement of double tracking the Southern Railway are rapidly pushing the work and will soon reach Reidsville. The surveyors are now at work at Pelham. The double tracking, when completed, will be a great boon to the Danville & Western Railway, which traverses the northwestern portion of Rockingham county, and which road now runs its trains over the main line of the Southern from Stokesland to Danville, the operation of same being subservient to the schedules of the Southern, long delays being occasionally incurred by lateness of the regular Southern trains.

— At Lexington on Thursday Judge Bryan ordered the Grubb murder case removed to Rowan county. He said in his opinion he did not think the State could get a fair trial at Lexington. He gave the defence the choice of Iredell, Rowan and Randolph, and Rowan was chosen. The case is set for Wednesday of the first week of the May term. No application for the release of Grubb on bail was made. Solicitor Hammer began the argument and briefly took up each affidavit read and contended that the case should be moved on account of Grubb's great influence in the county, and that he has had agents at work trying to influence possible jurors to staud for his acquittal regardless of evidence. As a good many references had been made in the affidavits for the defence regarding the attitude of H. B. Varner and his paper, The Dispatch, Solicitor Hammer defended the editor, and said he had not been unfair. He said he would not enter into a defence of Mr. Varner; that he needed none and that his paper was always impartial. He said Grubb's treatment at the jail was something unheard of, and that he had never heard of the like before. E. E. Raper, for the defence, in an able manner took up each affidavit, and insisted they showed that an impartial trial could be had in Davidson county. He justified the treatment accorded Grubb at the jail, and said it was nothing but common humanity, and there was no reason why Grubb should be kept in solitary confinement. It was necessary for him to see his employes and relatives. He said the whole course of H. B. Varner has shown him to be unfriendly to Grubb.

While There Is Life There Is Hope.

I WAS afflicted with catarrh; could neither taste nor smell and could hear but little. Ely's Cream Balm cured it.—Marcus G. Shautz, Rahway, N. J.

CREAM BALM reached me safely and the effect is surprising. My son says the first application gave decided relief. Respectfully, Mrs. Franklin Freeman, Dover, N. H.

The Balm does not irritate or cause sneezing. Sold by druggists at 50 cts. or mailed by Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York.

For Over Sixty Years

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over 60 years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind.

SANTAL-MIDY

Arrests discharges from the urinary organs in either sex in 48 hours.

It is superior to Copaiba, Cubeb, or injections, and free from all foul smell or other inconveniences.

SANTAL-MIDY is sold in capsules. Genuine, which bear the name in black letters, without which none are genuine.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, March 3.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.30 per barrel for hard, $2.70 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin nothing doing; tar firm at $1.40; crude turpentine firm at $2.25@4.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	23
Rosin	786
Tar	461
Crude turpentine	25

Receipts same day last year—25 casks spirits turpentine, 166 barrels rosin, 185 barrels tar, 18 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady at 7¼c for middling. Same day last year, market dull at 13¼c for middling.

Receipts—145 bales; same day last year, 3.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 90c; extra prime, 85c; fancy, $1.00, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 60@65c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 11c; sides, dull, 10@11c.

EGGS—Dull at 20@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 15@35c; springs, 12½@15c.

TURKEYS—Dull at 13½c for live; 16½c for dressed.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6c per pound.

PORK—Firm at 7@8c net.

PEAS—White, $1.75@1.85; clay, $1.2 @1.35.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60@75c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent.; closing bid 2½ per ct, offered at 2½; time loans firm; sixty days 3¼@3½ per cent.; ninety days 3¼@3½ per ct; six months 3¾@3¾ per ct. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange was quoted steady, with actual business in bankers' bills 486.70@486.75 for demand and at 484.60@484.65 for sixty day bills. Posted rates were 485½ and 487½@488. Commercial bills were 484½. Bar silver 59½. Mexican dollars 46. U. S. refunding 2's, U. S. 3's, registered, 104½; do. reg'd, 104¾; do. coupon, 104¾; coupon, 104½; U. S. 4's, new, registered, 133½; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 133½; U. S. 4's, old; registered, 104½; do. coupon, 105½. American Tobacco 4's cert., 75½. American Tobacco 6's cert., 116¾. Atlantic Coast Line 4's, 103. Louisville & Nashville, unified 4's, 103½; Seaboard Air Line 4's 91; Southern Railway 5's, 119½. Stocks: Atlantic Coast Line 140¾; Baltimore & Ohio preferred 96½; Chesapeake & Ohio 50¾; Louisville & Nashville 143¾; Manhattan L 170¾; New York Central 135½; Reading 94¾; do. 1st pref'd, 91½; do. 2nd pref'd 89¾; Southern Railway 35½; do. pref'd 98; Amalgamated Copper 77½; People's Gas 109¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 88¾; U. S. Leather 11¾; U. S. Leather preferred, 103½; Western Union 93¾; U. S. Steel 35¾; do. preferred 95½; Mexican Central 24¾; Virginia-Carolina Chemical, 36¾; sales — shares; do. preferred, 108; sales — shares. Standard Oil 615

BALTIMORE, March 3.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 18¾ asked; do. preferred, 39 asked.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Rosin firm. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, March 3.—Spirits turpentine and rosin—nothing doing.

SAVANNAH, March 3.—Spirits turpentine firm at 51c; receipts 64 casks; sales 170 casks; shipments 356 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 1,119 barrels; sales 876 barrels; shipments 1,470 barrels: A, B, C, $3 77½; D, $3 85; E, $3 87½; F, $3 92½@3 95; G, $3 97½@3 00; H, $3 25; I, $3 30; K, $4 05; M, $4 50; N, $4 75; W G, $5 00; W W $5 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—The cotton market was again very quiet. Trading was chiefly local and was devoid of special feature, but the general ruling of the market was steady and prices closed firm at a net gain of two to three points. The opening was steady at unchanged prices, an advance of one point, or just about as due on the cables. Large receipts and favorable weather were offset by disappointment that spot offerings in the South gave no indication of increasing to the extent that was expected, as the season for new crop preparations drew near and with yesterday's sellers covering prices gradually worked higher, closing as indicated above. Sales were estimated at 100,000 bales.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Cotton was quiet at 7 75; net receipts — bales; gross receipts 3,583 bales; stock 71,020 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 7.75c; middling gulf 8.00c; sales 530 bales.

Futures opened steady: March 7.90, April —, May 7 83, June —, July 7.80 bid, August 7.80 bid, September 7 40 offered, October 7.86, November 7 89 bid, December 7.43 bid, January 7.48 bid.

Cotton futures closed very steady: March 7.82, April 7.85, May 7.88, June 7 85, July 7.83, August 7.86, September 7.88, October 7.41, November 7.44, December 7.47.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 21,553 bales; exports to Great Britain 833 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 1,756 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 663,048 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 152,605 bales; exports to Great Britain 53,526 bales; exports to France 510 bales; exports to Continent 79,986 bales; exports to Japan 8 682 bales; exports to Mexico 1,691 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 7,151,114 bales; exports to Great Britain 3,668,558 bales; exports to France 591,004 cales; exports to the Continent 2,274,809 bales; exports to Japan 110,982 bales; exports to Mexico 23,185 bales.

March 3.—Galveston, quiet at 7 7-16c, net receipts 9,849 bales; Norfolk, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 1,388 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7¾c, net receipts 118 bales; Boston, quiet at 7.75c, net receipts — bales; Wilmington, steady at 7¾, net receipts 136 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 8 00, net receipts 109 bales; Savannah, quiet at 7½c, net receipts 1,773 bales; New Orleans, quiet and easy at 7 9-16, net receipts 8,166 bales; Mobile, quiet at 7¼c, net receipts 678 bales; Memphis, steady at 7 7-16c, net receipts 1,458 bales; Augusta, quiet at 7¾c, net receipts 775 bales; Charleston, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 191 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Flour was steady. Rye flour quiet. Wheat—Spot barely steady; No. 2 red $1 20¾ f. o. b. afloat. Options closed net unchanged to ¼c lower: May closed $1 14¾; July closed $1 03¾; September closed 94c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 white 54c. Options ¼c net higher: May closed 53¾c; July closed 53¾c. Oats—Spot steady; mixed, 26@32 lbs., 37@38c. Butter firm; creamery, 25@31c; State dairy 24@29c. Cheese steady; State, small colored and white 10¾@13¾. Eggs easy; nearby selected 36c; Southerns 30@33c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 4¾c; centrifugal, 96 test 5¾; molasses sugar 4¾; refined quiet. Rice firm. Peanuts firm; fancy hand-picked 5¼@5¾c; other domestic grades 5¾@5¼. Potatoes quiet; Long Island, in bulk, per 180 lbs, $1 50@2 00; State and Western $1 25@1 45; Jersey sweets $3 00@4 75. Cabbages steady; domestic, per ton, $8 00@12 00. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton, 10@14c. Pork steady; mess $13 75@13 80. Lard steady; refined firm. Rice firm. Molasses firm. Tallow dull. Cotton seed oil steadier; trade light; Prime crude, f. o. b. mills 19½c; prime summer yellow 26@26½c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 29½c; prime winter yellow 29½c.

CHICAGO, March 3.—Trade was brought almost to a halt here to day in all grains and provisions. The chief reason seemingly was a report that the attempted squeeze in wheat for May delivery had never in reality been abandoned. With the exception of May wheat, which is up ¼@¾c, closing prices are practically identical with yesterday's final quotations.

CHICAGO, March 3.—Cash prices: Flour easy. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1 10@1 15¼; No. 3 do. $1 07@1 15; No. 2 red $1 14¾@1 17. Corn—No. 2 45¾c; No. 2 yellow 46c. Oats—No. 2 31¾c; No. 3 white, 33¼@33¾c. Rye—No. 2 78c. Mess pork, per bbl, $12 40@12 45. Lard, per 100 lbs, sold at $6 80@6 82. Short rib sides, loose, $6 62@6 75. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no report. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 75@6 87. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 23.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May $1 15¾@1 15¾, 1 16, 1 14¾, 1 15¼; July 98¾@99, 99¾, 98¾, 98¾c; September 91@91¾, 91¾, 90¾, 90¾c. Corn—March —, —, —, 45¼; May 47¾@48, 48¼, 47¾, 48¾; July 48¾@48¾, 48¾, 48¼@48¾, 48¾c. Oats—March —, —, —, 31¾c; May 31¾@31¾, 31¾, 31¾, 31¾; July 31¾, 31¾, 31¼, 31¼c. Mess pork, per bbl—May $13 57, 13 57, 13 47, 13 55; July $12 70, 12 70, 12 62, 12 67. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $6 97, 6 97, 6 95, 6 97; July, $7 10, 7 10, 7 07, 7 10. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 79, 6 75, 6 72, 6 75; July $6 90, 6 90, 6 87, 6 90.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 7¾c; mild steady. Futures closed steady at 10@15 points advance.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, March 3.—Cotton: Spot, in fair demand, with prices four points lower; American middling fair 4.64d; good middling 4.23d; middling 4.10d; low middling 3.98d; good ordinary 3 84d; ordinary 3.68d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 9,500 bales American. Receipts 9,000 bales, including 3,000 bales American.

Futures opened easier and closed steady; American middling (g o c): March 3.97d; March and April 3.97d; April and May 4.00d; May and June 4.01d; June and July 4.03d; July and August 4.03d; August and September 4.04d; September and October 4.05d; October and November 4.06d; November and December 4.06d; December and January 4 07d.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Stmr A J Johnson, Black, Clear Run, W J Meredith.

Clyde steamer Navahoe, Bunnell, Georgetown, S C, H G Smallbones.

CLEARED.

Stmr Tar Heel, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, S M King.

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List of Vessels in Port of Wilmington, N. C., March 4.

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BARQUES.

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Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—3 bales cotton.

W. C. & A. Railroad—99 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 34 barrels tar, 22 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—19 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 6 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—4 bales cotton.

Steamer Tar Heel—11 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 44 barrels rosin, 300 barrels tar, 9 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—1 bale cotton, 12 casks spirits turpentine, 92 barrels rosin, 121 barrels tar.

New York steamer—8 bales cotton. Raft—300 barrels rosin.

Flat—350 barrels rosin.

Total—145 bales cotton, 22 casks spirits turpentine, 786 barrels rosin, 461 barrels tar, 35 barrels crude turpentine.

—The body of William G. Catlin, Jr., of Charlotte, who was drowned near Georgetown, S. C., several weeks ago, has been found and will be sent to Charlotte.

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COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

By virtue of a decree of the Superior Court of New Hanover county made in the ca e of sarah J. Sedgwar, administratrix of Sophia A. Pr e deceased, vs Fred C. Sadgwar, et. al., the undersigned commissioner appointed by said decree, will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the court House door, in the city of Wilmington, on Tuesday, the 18th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock m., the following described land, situate in C pe Fear township, New Hanover county:

1st. One-half undivided in erest in that tract of la d begin ing at a spruce Pine, Jerry Forville's third corner in the old line in a Bay, runs thence with Samuel Davis' line 4 45 deg 30 min E 51 chains to a dead pine stump; thence with another of said Davis' lines S 68 deg 30 min E 18 chains a d 75 links to a large poplar on the N. edge of the Dixon Pond Branch, one chain above where said branch enters into Broad Water Branch, thence down said branch N. 51 deg. 30 m n E 3 chains and 75 links to a dead pine stump; thence N 34 deg W 8 chains and 25 links to a small Black Gum; thence N 78 deg W 9 chains to a large sweet Gum on the N edge of the pring Branch; thence N 52 deg W 1 chain 50 links to a small sweet Gum; thence N 18 deg 30 min W 4 chains to a large poplar; thence N 8 deg. East 9 chains and 88 links to a sweet Gum; thence N. 50 deg E. 4 chains and 2 links to a long st aw pine; thence N. 56 deg. 30 min. E 3 chains and 14 links to a White Oak; thence N. 11 deg. 8 chains and 25 links to a Poplar; thence N 14 deg W 2. chains and 50 links to a large forked straw pine; thence N 13 deg 30 min E 6 chains and 11 links to two small Dog wood trees; thence N. 58 deg. W 3 chains to a long straw pine; thence N 15 deg 45 min. E 4 chains and 75 links to a spruce pine; thence N. 48 deg 30 min. W. 3 chains and 16 11 ks to a large hollow Poplar; thence N 17 deg E 50 links to a stake; thence W 4 chains to the beginning, containing about 85 acres more or less.

2nd. One-half undivided interest in that tract of land beginning at a large Gum Tree, high water mark of Dellessett's branch, near where it empties into Broad Water branch, and runs up thence N 54½ deg. E 5 chains and 75 links to a pine; thence N. 66½ deg E 2 chains and 88 links to a pine; thence S 71 deg E 5 chains and 20 links to a pine; thence N 84½ deg. E 3 chains and 75 links to a pine; thence S. 45½ deg E 2 chains and 9 links to a pine; thence S. 10½ deg. E. 2 chains and 5 links to a pine; thence S. 44½ deg. E. 2 chains and 80 li ks to a small sweet gum tree on the N. side of said De Rossett's branch and of the belly batter road, thence N with said road 50 links; thence S. 45½ deg W. 7 chains and 85 links to a pine; thence S. 35 deg W. 3 chains and 75 links to a Gum tree; thence N 38½ deg W. 4 chains and 20 links; thence S. 85 deg W. 3 chains and 75 links to a Dog Wood tree on Broad Water branch; thence Southwardly along high water mark of Broad Water branch with its various meanderings to the beginning. Co tai ing 15 acres more or less

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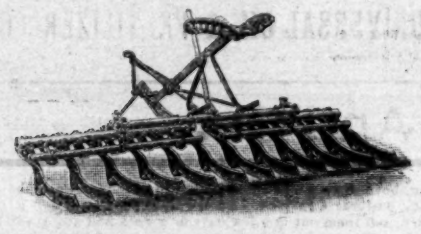

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A WONDERFUL QUERN

HOW THE NORWEGIANS EXPLAIN WHY THE SEA IS SALT.

Magic Mill That Ground Out Riches For the Poor Brother While It Frightened the Rich One—The Sailor Who Made It Grind Salt.

There is an old fashioned Norwegian folk talk that accounts in a very curious way for the salt in the sea. According to the story, the waters of the ocean were not always salt. But long ago there were two brothers living away up in the northland. One was very rich, and the other was very poor. One brother had herds of cattle and flocks of fat mountain sheep, while the poor one had just about nothing at all except a wife and ever so many children.

One Christmas eve there was nothing in the house for them to eat, and the poor man's wife said to her husband:

"If I had a rich brother, as you have, I would go and ask him for something for these poor children to eat. Tomorrow will be Christmas day, and there is not a crust of bread in the house."

So he went to his brother and told him how much they needed his help. The rich man gave him a nice flitch of bacon and told him to go to an old magician who lived somewhere in the mountains. I do not know why he sent the poor man to the magician, for the latter did not bear a very good name in the neighborhood. However, when he came to the magician's stronghold everybody about the place wanted to buy his flitch of bacon. He could not understand why it was, but he thought if there was so much demand for the bacon he would at least make the best bargain he could for it.

"Well," he said, "I ought by rights to take this bacon home to my good dame for our dinner tomorrow, but since you all seem to have set your hearts on it I suppose you must have it. If I sell it, however, I want a good price for it."

They offered him a good round sum, but that would not do.

"I will let you have it," he said, "if you will give me that quern yonder behind the door."

A quern is one of the things that it would be very hard to find nowadays, because they have gone out of fashion. A quern is a mill for grinding corn by hand, and it consists of two large stones, an upper and a lower one, the upper one having a handle by which it may be turned around on the lower stone, grinding the corn or grain between them.

The old magician at first laughed outright at the idea of any one thinking that he would part with his quern, but the owner of the bacon insisted that he would be satisfied with nothing less than that, so he finally got it.

When he reached his own door the clock was striking 12 and his wife was waiting for him, ready to scold him for staying so long.

"What in the world kept you so long?" she asked. "And what are we going to do with that old quern when we have no corn to grind?"

Then he told her of his trading the bacon for the quern. She was dreadfully put out about it and especially at the loss of the bacon.

"Just wait a minute," said her husband, "before you begin to complain, and see if I did not do right this time."

And, putting the quern on the table, he told it to grind enough good things to make a first rate dinner for twelve hungry mouths. His wife could hardly believe her eyes as she stood there and watched the quern grinding out dainties enough to last a week.

The rich brother chanced to hear how well his poor brother's family was living, and when he came and saw what an elegant table they kept he was envious and wanted to know where they got the money to buy the things. For a long time they kept the secret of the old quern, but somehow it got out at last. They were so proud of it that they could not help telling all about it, and the rich brother insisted on buying the quern. Finally they let him have it for $300.

It kept on grinding for its new owner, but he was afraid of it, never feeling sure of what it would do next, so he made his brother take it back at the same price. The poor man was glad to get it back again, and it ground out untold riches for himself and his family. They had everything they desired, among other things a golden house to live in, and the people came from every land to see the magnificence of the family that owned the wonderful quern.

One day a stranger, an old seaman who had been all around the then known world, came to see the quern and wanted it to grind salt.

It is supposed that the owner of the quern was rich enough by this time, for he let it go for a moderate sum, and, fearing that he might repent of having sold it, the old sailor put to sea at once with his prize, anxious to know how it would work. When he had sailed so far out that no one could reach him, he said to the quern:

"Grind salt and grind both fast and good."

No sooner had he given the order than the quern began to grind heaps and heaps of salt all over the deck until the ship was ready to sink to the bottom of the sea. Scared half to death, the old sailor begged the quern to stop grinding salt. He got down on his knees to it.

But there was no use talking to it. It went on grinding, grinding, and soon the vessel went down with its weight of salt. And the quern still keeps on grinding in the depths of the ocean, and that is why the sea is salt.—Virginia McSherry.

A Volcano.

"What is a volcano?" asked the teacher.

"A mountain with a fire inside," said one.

A smile of comprehension spread over the puzzled face of the smallest scholar as she asked surprisedly, "Is that a mountain range?"—Harper's Magazine.

Hard on Auntie.

Ethel—Auntie, when will I be old enough to kiss really and truly?

Auntie—When you're as old as I am, Ethel.

Ethel—But Uncle Jack says that's too old.—Detroit Free Press.

The Colonel's Waterloo.

Col. John M. Fuller, of Honey Grove, Tex., nearly met his waterloo from liver and kidney trouble. In a recent letter, he says: "I was nearly dead of these complaints, and, although I tried my family doctor, he did me no good; so I got a 50-cent bottle of your great Electric Bitters, which cured me. I consider them the best medicine on earth, and thank God who gave you the knowledge to make them." Sold, and guaranteed to cure dyspepsia, billiousness and kidney disease, by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist, at 50c a bottle.

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Station.	No. 3.	No. 5.
Lv Goldsboro	3 45 p m	8 00 a m
Lv L. Grange	4 16 p m	8 28 a m
Lv Kinston	4 40 p m	8 52 a m
Lv Dover	5 00 p m	9 14 a m
Lv Cove	5 16 p m	9 27 a m
Lv Tuscarora	5 26 p m	9 37 a m
Ar Newbern	5 45 p m	10 00 a m

	No. 7 (accom)
Lv New Bern	5 55 p m 12 30 p m
Lv Riverdale	6 18 p m 1 19 p m
Lv Havelock	6 34 p m 1 40 p m
Lv Newport	6 50 p m 2 00 p m
Ar Morehead City	7 12 p m 2 55 p m

WESTBOUND.

Station	No. 4	No. 8 (Accom)
Lv Morehead City	7 40 a m	3 30 a m
Lv Newport	8 11 a m	6 34 a m
Lv Havelock	8 27 a m	7 02 a m
Lv Riverdale	8 43 a m	7 30 a m
Ar New Bern	9 00 a m	8 05 a m

Station	No. 6
Lv New Bern	9 15 a m 6 10 p m
Lv Tuscarora	9 27 a m 6 34 p m
Lv Cove	9 49 a m 6 44 p m
Lv Dover	10 03 a m 6 56 p m
Lv Kinston	10 27 a m 7 20 p m
Lv LaGrange	10 51 a m 7 43 p m
Ar Goldsboro	11 20 a m 8 10 p m

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To The Beach and Wrightsville

Suburban and City Schedule.

In Effect January 12, 1905.

Suburban Schedule (daily except Sunday.)

Leave Front and Princess:	Leave the Beach
8.30 A. M	9.00 A. M.
12.00 A. M.	12.30 P. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.
Leave Wrightsville	
6.10 P. M.	6.45 P. M.
7.30 " "	8.15 " "
9.00 " "	9.30 " "
10.00 " "	10.30 " "

Extra Cars on Sundays.

Note: Trains leaving Front and Princess Sts. at 6.10, 7.30, 9:00 and 10.00 P. M. will go over to Beach on request.

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Leave Front and Princess	Leave Cemetery
3.00 A. M.	7.30 A. M.
3.10 P. M.	3.20 P. M.
4.50 P. M.	5.00 P. M.

Delgado and Golf Link Car (Without change.) Daily except Sunday

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Golf Links.
3.40 P. M.	4.30 P. M.
5.10 "	5.30 "

A. C. L. Depot Car (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave A. C. L. Depot
10.30 A. M.	10.10 A. M.
5.40 P. M.	6.00 P. M.

S. A. L. Car (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave S. A. L. Depot
12.35 P. M.	12.45 P. M.
9.35 P. M.	3.00 P. M.
11.15 P. M.	11.30 P. M.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE.

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	No 42	No 48
Lv Wilmington	9 15 a m	6 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 58 p m	9 34 p m
Ar Wilson	1 16 p m	10 35 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 33 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	6 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 38 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	3 30 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 50 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 00 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar New York	7 30 a m	2 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 49
Lv New York	9 25 a m	9 30 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 58 a m	12 01 a m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	2 32 a m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk		9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	8 35 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 05 p m
Ar Wilson	11 33 p m	1 50 p m
Ar Goldsboro	0 48 a m	2 10 p m
Ar Wilmington	12 10 a m	3 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH

SOUTHBOUND

	*Daily	Daily	Daily
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 30 p m	6 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 35 a m	7 30 p m	8 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 25 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	6 50 a m	9 05 a m
Ar Jacksonville	8 40 a m		1 45 p m
Ar Tampa	7 30 p m		10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	*Daily.	Daily
Lv Tampa	5 40 p m	8 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 55 a m	7 40 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	12 15 a m	9 50 a m
Ar Florence	9 14 p m	9 05 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 55 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound *Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 12 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 20 p m	Ar 3 40 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 3 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	3 35 p m	Ar 12 00 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

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Leave Hamlet	8 50 a m	10 30 p m
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" Raleigh	11 45 a m	1 35 a m
" Norlina	1 40 p m	3 51 a m
Arrive Portsmouth	5 30 p m	8 20 a m
Leave Richmond	4 55 p m	6 25 a m
" Washington	6 35 p m	9 50 a m
" Baltimore	11 17 p m	11 30 a m
" Philadelphia	2 35 a m	4 15 p m
Arrive New York	6 30 a m	4 15 p m

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 31	No. 35
Leave New York	12 25 p m	9 35 p m
" Philadelphia	2 55 p m	12 10 a m
" Baltimore	5 17 p m	2 37 a m
" Washington	6 40 p m	3 54 a m
" Richmond	11 00 p m	9 10 a m
Leave Portsmouth	9 30 p m	9 25 a m
Leave Norlina	1 55 a m	1 40 p m
" Raleigh	4 15 a m	4 00 p m
" Southern Pines	6 00 a m	6 10 p m
" Hamlet	8 00 a m	7 50 p m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	11 50 p m

Between Wilmington and Atlanta SOUTHBOUND		No. 41
Leave Wilmington		3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet		10 10 p m
Arrive Athens		6 03 a m
Arrive Atlanta		7 40 a m
NORTHBOUND	No. 38	
Leave Atlanta	8 00 p m	
" Athens	11 23 p m	
" Hamlet	5 40 a m	
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	

Between Wilmington and Tampa SOUTHBOUND		No. 43
Leave Wilmington		3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet		10 10 p m
Ar Columbia		12 15 a m
Ar Savannah		6 40 a m
Ar Jacksonville		8 55 a m
Arrive Tampa		6 35 p m
NORTHBOUND	No. 66	
Leave Tampa	8 50 a m	
" Jacksonville	7 50 p m	
" Savannah	12 10 a m	
" Columbia	5 30 a m	
" Hamlet	8 40 a m	
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m	

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 4.

THE MOVEMENT OF COTTON.

Secretary Hester's Statement—Foreign Exports—Stocks at Seaboard—The Crop in Sight.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, March 3.—Secretary Hester's weekly cotton statement issued to-day shows for the three days of March an increase over last year of 30,000 bales, and an increase over the same period year before last of 26,000. For the 184 days of the season that have elapsed the aggregate is ahead of the same days of last year 906,000 and ahead of the same days year before last 803,000. The amount brought in to sight during the past week has been 325,536 bales against 153,866 for the same seven days last year and 192,956 year before last. The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all United States ports to be 7,151,114 against 6,463,835 last year. Overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to northern mills and Canada 711,678 against 794,705 last year; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year 516,869 against 396,115 last year; Southern mills taking 1,318,000 against 1,337,859 last year. The total movement since Sept 1st is 9,697,661 against 8,791,504 last year. Foreign exports for the week have been 180,512 against 110,210 last year, making the total thus far for the season 5,752,359 against 4,991,088 last year. The total takings of the American mills north, south, and Canada, thus far for the season have been 2,569,330 against 3,033,106 last year. Stocks at the seaboard and the 39 leading Southern interior centers have decreased during the week 17,344 bales against a decrease during the corresponding period last season of 83,877. Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far from the new crop, the supply to date is 9,859,628 against 8,955,303 for the same period last year.

Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton issued today shows the total visible to be 4,188,843 against 4,179,421 last week and 3,607,607 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 3,162,843 against 3,177,421 last week and 2,549,607 last year; and of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 1,026,000 against 1,002,000 last week and 1,058,000 last year. Of the world's visible supply of cotton there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and Continental Europe 2,164,000 against 2,022,000 last year; in Egypt 196,000 against 346,000 last year; in India 572,000 against 575,000 last year and in the United States 2,207,000 against 953,000 last year.

VIRGINIA GIRL IN TROUBLE.

Strange Story of Kate Morrell, Who Was Lured to a Hotel and Robbed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—After being arraigned in the Coney Island police court to-day on a minor charge, a young woman who said that she was Kate Morrell, of Old Point Comfort, Va., where she had recently been employed in the postoffice, made a complaint to the magistrate that she had been lured to a hotel near Fort Hamilton, where she had been drugged and robbed. She said that she arrived in New York last night to look for employment and met on a ferryboat a man who she asked to direct her to a hotel. This man, she said, who gave the name of Kelly, took her to Fort Hamilton, where he introduced her to a man who represented himself to be a detective, who took her to a hotel near the fort. There, she said, he robbed her of a money order for $50 and $6 in cash, given her by her father, who she intimated was the postmaster at Old Point Comfort. She was detained pending an investigation of her story.

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., March 3.—Kate Morrell is not known at Old Point Comfort, where no female clerk has been employed in the post office for several years. Postmaster John B. Kimberly said tonight that he knew nothing about the story. The name does not appear in the Old Point directory.

DUN'S TRADE REVIEW.

Conditions Improved Over Last Year, Fewer Failures.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—R. G. Dun & Company's weekly review of trade will say to-morrow: "Trade reports are still somewhat conflicting, but on the whole improvement has followed more settled weather and the outlook is considered favorable, even in sections where current business is irregular. Mercantile collections are not as prompt at the East as elsewhere, but the liabilities of commercial failures in February were much smaller than a year ago. Traffic blockades have been lifted, restoring a normal distribution of merchandise and railway earnings in February were only 5.1 per cent. smaller than last year despite the severe weather at the start. Commercial failures this week are 245 against 236 the corresponding week last year.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

For the Week Ending Friday, March 3rd, 1905.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending Friday, March 3rd, 1905:

	1905.	1904.
Net receipts at all U. S. ports during the week	152,605	72,297
Total receipts to this date	7,151,441	6,448,460
Exports for week	139,295	96,456
Total exports to date	5,665,438	4,906,240
Stock in all U. S. ports	665,048	597,139
Stock at all interior towns	586,218	128,874
Stock in Liverpool,	———	591,000
American afloat for Great Britain	———	114,000

At Richmond, Va., last night E. D. Hotchkiss, general freight agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway, and T. S. Davant, freight and traffic manager of the Norfolk and Western railway, gave it out that the reports that have been so widely circulated, to the effect that rates on coal from mines on the Chesapeake and Ohio and Norfolk and Western railways to tidewater were to be advanced 25 cents a ton, have been dissolved by the announcement of the railroads that there will be no advance at all.

SEA LEVEL CANAL NOT AUTHORIZED.

Differences Between Two Houses of Congress Has Put the Bill to Sleep.

END OF THE 58TH CONGRESS.

Navy to be Increased by 1,200 Officers and Men—Present Government in Canal Zone Continued in Force Other Bills Finally Passed

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The Senate found itself to day far less pressed than usual on the last day of a session of Congress. All the appropriation bills having been passed, the session was given up largely to general legislation and when necessary to conference reports on appropriation bills. During the day final reports were presented and adopted on the naval, the postoffice, the Indian and the sundry civil bills, leaving only the river and harbor and the general deficiency bills to be considered in their final stages.

During the day the pure food bill was definitely displaced and a sharp colloquy over the incident occurred between Mr. McCumber and Mr. Lodge.

The joint resolution continuing in force the present law applicable to the Panama canal zone was unanimously adopted, but not until after several Senators had expressed themselves in frank language concerning the attitude of the House, to which they attributed the failure of the conference on the bill.

Mr. Gorman characterized the attitude of the House conferees as most remarkable. He said: "It is my judgment that it is absolutely necessary to the proper conduct of the public business that the Senate should adhere to its position and protect itself as it may under parliamentary law in order to protect the importance of the two Houses." To agree to the demand of the House would, he said, be shameful in the extreme.

Mr. Overman asked whether under the present law the President could build a sea level canal, and Mr. Spooner answered in the negative, adding that the act had contemplated a lock canal and that no President or commission could change that plan without consulting Congress.

Among the bills taken up was one making it a crime to send the boll weevil and other insect pests through the mails. Mr. Latimer, in charge of the bill, said that the curiosity of some farmers to see the boll weevil was so great that they were having them sent by mail for inspection. On objection by Mr. McCumber the bill went over.

The bill authorizing the appointment as naval officers of three young men dismissed from the naval academy in 1903 for hazing, was debated at some length. Mr. Daniel presented it and Mr. Carmack opposed it. Pending consideration of the bill the Senate took a recess until 8:30 P. M.

The Senate to-night passed the bill for the restoration of three midshipmen expelled for hazing to the naval service after debate in which Mr. Mallory and Mr. Money criticised the measure.

The Senate agreed to the conference reports on the river and harbor bill and the general deficiency bills, which disposes of all the appropriation bills.

Mr. Clay expressed regret that provision for surveying Savannah harbor in the river and harbor bill had not been retained in its entirety, but said he would accept what had been done as the best that was possible.

The Senate went into executive session and shortly after adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The last day's session of the House before the final adjournment of the Fifty-eighth Congress at noon to-morrow found that body almost through with its work of disposing of conference reports on the great supply measures of the government and a few measures of more or less public importance.

The only subject which gave rise to any considerable debate was the conference report on the river and harbor bill, in the course of which Mr. Sibley of Pennsylvania, attacked Chairman Burton for being prejudiced against a free conference on the question of State aid in the improvement of the Delaware river below Philadelphia. Messrs. Adams and Morrell, his colleagues from Pennsylvania, joined in the attack, the latter declaring that unless the House receded from its position two Senators would talk the bill to death. Mr. Burton vigorously defended his attitude and said that if the Pennsylvania delegation wished to take the responsibility of defeating the bill they could do so. By an overwhelming vote the House refused to agree to a motion by Mr. Sibley to concur in the Senate amendments and the bill was sent back to conference.

The conference reports on the Indian and postoffice appropriation bills were agreed to, which action finally passed both measures.

The conference report on the naval appropriation bill, was called up by Mr. Foss, of Illinois, and in so far as an agreement had been reached, the report was agreed to. Mr. Foss then moved to concur in the Senate amendments relating to an increase in the marine corps of 1,200 officers and men.

The motion was opposed by Mr. Rixey, of Virginia, and Williams, of Mississippi. Mr. Williams said that the object of the amendment was to enable men of war to gather around islands in a chaotic condition and land the marines, "for the purpose of enforcing the dignity of the United States in the way of making the people pay debts they owe somebody in Europe or the United States."

The House concurred in the amendments, thereby finally passing the bill.

The House then adopted a resolution thanking the managers in the Swayne impeachmens case "for the able and efficient manner in which they discharged the one-rous and responsible duties imposed upon them." The action was greeted with applause.

The House took a recess to 8 o'clock

The House to-night agreed to the conference reports on the Sundry Civil, General Deficiency and River and Harbor Appropriation bills, thus passing all these measures. The House receded from its amendment to the General Deficiency bill appropriating $190,000 for mileage to members of the second session of the present Congress and concurred in the Senate amendment striking out the mileage, 173 to 72.

Mr. VanDiver, of Missouri, called up his resolution requesting information of the Attorney General as to whether he has taken action on the evidence furnished by the Anti-Trust league of an alleged combination between the Carnegie and Bethlehem steel works to fix the price of armor plate.

On motion of Mr. Dalzell the resolution was laid on the table—109 to 96.

The House then took a recess until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

Apricot Brandy way down on Nixon street. See Neill Gallagher.

A GRAND EXPOSITION ON HISTORIC GROUND.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee Explains the Scope of the Celebration of the Settlement of Jamestown—An Unique Event.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—General Fitzhugh Lee, President of the Jamestown Exposition Company, when asked about the bill which passed both houses of Congress on Thursday said:

"The act provides for the holding on the waters of Hampton Roads in commemoration of the first permanent settlement of English speaking people on the American continent made at Jamestown, Va., in 1607, of an exposition differing from any in the world's history, its distinctive features being naval, marine and military, participated in by the navies and armies of foreign countries and the militia of the States, and covering a period of about six months, say to November, 1907. The President is directed to make due proclamation of the celebration and to invite the participation of other nations and of the several States. The management of the celebration is vested in a board composed of the Secretaries of the Treasury, War, and Navy.

"This celebration will draw closer together all sections of our common country in a great fraternal commemoration of its birth, on the historic waters of Hampton Roads where the Merrimac and Monitor met in their death grapple; close to the field on which Cornwallis laid down his arms, and near those historic battlegrounds which nearly a century later were the scenes of some of the most heroic battles of modern times.

"If it be asked how the act affects the Jamestown Exposition Company's proposed industrial exposition on the land, the answer is that the holding by the United States government of such a celebration at the place and during the same period as our land exposition assures us an attendance such as no other exposition has had, with the possible exceptions of Chicago and St. Louis. The bill as reported to the House made provision for an appropriation in direct aid of the exposition on land, but finding that we could not get a rule for its hearing and fearing that the sentiment in favor of present economy made it doubtful whether we could secure the necessary two-thirds vote to suspend the rules, it was decided to omit this feature from the pending bill. It is hoped that the next Congress will provide for a government building and a domestic and colonial exhibit, including especially exhibits relating to the life-saving service, the revenue cutter service, the public health and marine hospital service, the army and navy, the light house service and the bureau of fisheries. It is also hoped that, as the white, black and red men first met at Jamestown, the government will aid in exhibiting at our exposition the progress of these three races during the three centuries that have since elapsed."

THE BEEF INVESTIGATION.

Report Sent to Congress by President Roosevelt Yesterday—Some of the Facts Withheld.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—President Roosevelt to-day transmitted to Congress the report of the Commissioner of Corporations upon the beef industry, submitted in compliance with the resolution of the House of Representatives adopted March 7, 1904. The President's letter of transmittal simply refers to the various topics treated in the report and says that "in view of the fact that the Department of Justice is now engaged upon other matters involved in the resolution, the Secretary of Commerce and Labor cannot at this time report thereon."

The report of the Commissioner on Corporations is to the effect that six packing companies, Armour & Company; Morris & Company; the National Packing Company; the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger Company and the Cudahy Packing Company slaughtered in the year of 1903 about 45 per cent. of the total indicated slaughter in the United States; that the average net profit in 1903 for three of the companies was 99 cents per head; that the year 1903 instead of being one of exorbitant profits was less profitable than usual and that during the month when the prices of beef were the highest, some of the leading packers were actually losing money on every head slaughtered. The changes in the margin between prices of cattle and beef are in themselves no indications whatever of the change in profits says the report. Prices and conditions for the years 1902 and 1903 and 1904 are reviewed. Concerning conditions in 1903 the report says: "In the face of the strong line, the prices of cattle were forced to the highest level ever known. The high prices of beef which caused so much complaint among consumers at this time, were attributable wholly to these abnormal cattle prices.

The report says that in 1903 the price of cattle fell very sharply, chiefly because of a large increase in the supply. The report states these conclusions: That the six companies especially discussed are apparently not over-capitalized; that the percentage of profit on the gross volume of business is comparatively small, and that during the years 1902, 1903 and 1904 Swift & Company's profits have not exceeded 3 per cent. of the total sales. Cudahy & Company's is stated at 1.9 per cent. for 1904 and 2.3 per cent. for 1902. With reference to private car lines in the packing industry it is stated that the profits is a very liberal one, a net return of from 14 to 17 per cent. being indicated, but it is added that reckoned on the basis of dressed beef transportated, the profit would add but little to the cost of beef to the consumer. The profit of one concern, the Cudahy Packing Company, on its investment in cars was high as 32 per cent. in one year. Further it stated that the six principal packing concerns, while they slaughtered but 45 per cent. of the cattle killed in 1903, slaughter nearly 98 per cent. of the cattle killed in eight leading Western packing centers; that they control a very large percentage of the trade in beef, particularly in the West, and that they furnish New York about 75 per cent., Boston more than 85 per cent., Philadelphia about 60 per cent., Pittsburg more than 60 and Baltimore about 50 per cent.

The report says in conclusion that the National Packing Company mentioned as one of the "Big Six" is a merger of various packing plants, but except for that concern there appears to be no general interior ownership of stock among the six principal companies.

Seven persons were killed and probably fifty injured on their way to the inauguration at Washington in a terrific rear-end collision on the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago railroad at Clifton station, eight miles from Pittsburg, at 7:05 o'clock last evening.

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ROAR OF GUNS NEAR MUKDEN.

Night Attacks by the Japanese Are Again the Tactics Being Used.

RUSSIAN LOSSES OVER 7,000.

Russians Resist Strongly Terrible Onslaughts—Over 1,000 Wounded Arrived at Hospitals—Generals Distinguished Themselves.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MUKDEN, March 3.—A ceaseless artilliery fire is heard ten miles southward. The roaring of the guns is becoming more distinct every hour.

The Russian losses during the past five days have been heavy. The wounded are streaming through Mukden northward, the hospital train service being infinitely better than at the time of the battle of the Shakhe river. Great confusion prevails in this city, every means of transport out of Mukden being used.

Night attacks are again the feature of the Japanese tactics. During last night almost a corps of infantry was hurled against General Binderling's right flank, and for hours the men fought in darkness, the Japanese using hand grenades with terrible effect. The butchery on both sides was frightful.

General Rennenkampff's troops acquitted themselves brilliantly, contesting the passes northeast for three days. They fought continuously, the Japanese pressing them on all sides with heavy odds in favor of the Japanese. On Thursday night the corps lost about 1,800 men, of which number fourteen were officers. Over 1,000 wounded men have already arrived here.

The brunt of the fighting fell on General Danilioff's and General Lubavin's divisions, which held the heights of Tomous mountain. They were attacked last night and the position twice changed hands, but morning found it still in possession of the Russians.

Thus far General Rennenkampff's has successfully barred the way of General Kuroki's columns.

RUSSIANS RESIST STRONGLY.

TOKIO, March 3, 6 P. M.—Reports from the headquarters of the Manchurian armies say that the Japanese bombardment of the many Russian positions continues. The Japanese are using heavy guns. Many of the Russian positions are strongly defended and it is believed that siege methods may be necessary to reduce them.

RUSSIAN LOSSES 7,000.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 3, 5:30 P. M.—According to the latest information from the front, the battle is now general and of the most desperate character. The losses have been exceedingly heavy on both sides during the preliminary fighting. Although it is not officially admitted, it is regarded as certain that General Kuropatkin is directing all his efforts to the withdrawal of his army to Tie pass. It is now practically a rear guard attack, but the task of extricating himself is proving very difficult. The Japanese have not only driven in his left, but a column is already reported to have crossed the Hun river east of Eushun. At the same time the Japanese are pressing the Russian center under cover of the fire of their siege guns and General Kuropatkin is really retiring before the Japanese advance. The efforts of the Japanese to envelop the Russian right wing have been unsuccessful, but it has been forced back almost on a line with Mukden. Two Russian divisions were dispatched to head off the wide flanking column advancing from the Liao river towards Simintin, about 30 miles west of Mukden, but according to the latest advices they were too late, the Japanese having entered the town yesterday.

No official figures regarding the losses are obtainable, but according to unofficial reports the Russian losses up to last night were nearly 7,000 men.

General Rennenkampff particularly distinguished himself during the fighting in the mountain passes east of Mukden.

POISONING OF MRS. STANFORD.

Employes Under Eye of Detectives—Poison Found in Water at San Francisco.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 3.—Although every effort is being made to find a motive for the reported poisoning of Mrs. Jane Latrop Stanford and to fix the guilt if such a crime has been committed, no arrests have yet been made and those engaged in investigating the case decline to discuss the matter pending the completion of the work. The detectives are keeping their eyes on Albert Beverly, the former butler, and Elizabeth Richmond, the former maid of Mrs. Stanford, and upon the six or eight employes, mostly Chinese, in the Stanford house in this city, which no one is permitted to enter or leave without permission of the authorities. A careful analysis made public to-day by Attorney Mountford Wilson of the mineral water from the drinking of which Mrs. Stanford narrowly escaped death at her residence in this city, shows that an attempt upon her life probably was made at that time, January 14. In his analysis Chemist Louis Falkenau announced that a water glassful of that mineral water would contain 0 8 of a grain of strychnine, half of a grain being the ordinary fatal dose.

RIVER AND HARBOR BILL.

Cape Fear River Appropriation of $50,000 Eliminated from Bill as Passed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The River and Harbor bill as agreed on by the conferees provides for a resurvey of Savannah harbor, Ga., for a channel depth of 26 feet instead of thirty feet.

The Senate receded from its amendment appropriating $150,000 for the St. John's river, Florida. Other appropriations in dispute which were eliminated were: Cape Fear river, N. C., $50,000; Winyah Bay, S. C., $30,000; Charleston harbor, S. C., $25,000; Coosa river, S. C., $300,000; dredging for Mississippi and Albama coasts, $150,000.

The Texas State Senate yesterday passed an oil bill that will place all pipe lines in Texas under the jurisdiction of the Railroad Commission, fix a maximum rate for the same and provide for monthly statements of all persons using the lines as to what oil they have in storage and what is anticipated for the subsequent 30 days. The bill now goes to the House where it is anticipated a bitter fight will ensue.

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THE INAUGURATION OF PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

Forecast Says Rain, But the Brilliant Ceremony and Magnificent Parade of 30,000 Men Will be Carried Out.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The probabilities strongly incline toward rain for the early part of to morrow's inaugural festivities in the opinion of official forecaster Frankenfield of the weather bureau. To-night, with only twelve hours before the time for the imposing ceremonies to begin, Mr. Frankenfield said he looked for rain in the morning, but that the storm area is moving so rapidly it may cease falling by the afternoon in time for the parade, which is the chief feature of interest to the visiting hosts.

Barring the prospect of rain tomorrow everything points to a most successful and brilliant inauguration. Evidence of complete readiness for the event as to even small details is everywhere apparent. To night the illuminations on the several public buildings and in the Court of History in front of the White House were tested and found to work satisfactorily. They presented a very charming sight. Pensylvania avenue was a blaze of light from the illumination in the dome of the Capitol at one end of the thoroughfare to the Treasury Department at the other. Pennsylvania avenue to-night was a dense mass of strollers viewing the sights. Numerous military and civil organizations arrived in the city during the day night.

President Roosevelt's final day before his formal inauguration to the Presidency was almost a continuous reception. So great was the pressure from visitors upon the President's time that the regular semi weekly cabinet meeting was abandoned and Mr. Roosevelt gave up as much of his time as he possibly could spare from legislative business to greeting and shaking hands with callers. He said to his friends that this day of all others his time belonged to the people and it afforded him genuine pleasure to meet them and exchange with them even a transient greeting.

Sir Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador, presented to the President to-day a personal letter of congratulations on his approaching inauguration and the beginning of the new administration from King Edward of Great Britain. Sir Mortimer received the thanks from President Roosevelt. This is the first of the letters from foreign rulers which, it has been indicated, would be sent to President Roosevelt.

The first untoward incident of the inauguration was the finding to-day of two men overcome by gas in a boarding house on east Capitol street. They were G. W. Moses, of Level Run, Va., and W. K. Askins, of Chatham, Va. Both of them were removed to the Casualty hospital, where it was stated that their cases were precarious.

The time card for the inaugural events as closely as can be scheduled follows:

10 A. M. President leaves White House for the capitol, with his personal escort.

10:31 to 12 noon. President remains in his room adjoining the Senate chamber and passes on measures passed at the last hour and awaiting his action.

12 noon. President takes seat in Senate chamber in front of the vice-president's desk.

12:15 President protempore of the Senate administers the oath to Mr. Fairbanks as Vice-President.

12:30 New Senators sworn in.

1 P. M. President Roosevelt takes the oath on stand at east front of capitol.

1:15 P. M. President reads his inaugural address.

1:20 to 1:30 President Roosevelt concludes his inaugural address and starts for the White House and the parade, in which approximately 30,000 men, according to the committee's estimate, will be in line, begins to march. Parade halts at head of Pennsylvania avenue, to allow the President to take luncheon and reach the reviewing stand.

2:45 President enters reviewing stand and begins review of the parade, which ends at 5:50.

In the evening will occur the inaugural ball and a display of fireworks. Everywhere decorations abound Pennsylvania avenue, the broadest thoroughfare in the city, along which the thousans of troops and civic organizations will march to-morrow, is a solid mass of color, hung from roofs, windows and doorways, while red, white and blue cover the reviewing stands which line both sides of the avenue. Among the host of arrivals to-day were members of the Tennessee Legislature and a detachment of marines from Norfolk, Va.

Governor and Mrs. Montague, of Virginia, and the former's staff was given a reception to night at the residence of Col R. N. Harper, surgeon general of the governor's staff. About four hundred people were present, including Col. Baker, chief of artillery, and Cols. Fuikerson, Lewis and R. E. L. Lee. Mrs. Harper was assisted in receiving by Mrs. Montague, Mrs. Fulkerson, Mrs. Vass and Mrs. Rixey.

The Culpeper minute men of Culpeper, Virginia, reached the city during the latter part of the day, as did also forty members of the Live Oak militia of Live Oak, Florida.

WARM WIRELETS.

Savannah men interested in sports have made an offer to the managers of Britt and Nelson to pull off their next fight in that city.

The eighth general convention of the Consolidation Grand Lodge, Independent Order B'Nai B'Rith, will meet at Masonic Hall in New Orleans March 19 th, the sessions covering six days. Delegates from Germany, Austria and other foreign countries will be present.

The Czar of Russia yesterday affixed his signature to his majesty's decree giving to elected representatives of the people an opportunity to express their views in the preparation of the laws of the Empire. In an impassioned speech he said "I am willing to shed my blood for the good of my people."

The Texas Legislature went on record in both Houses yesterday in a warm endorsement of President Roosevelt's policy in regard to the Standard Oil Company and the alleged Beef Trust. The House put the final touches on the action by adopting the Senate Standard Oil resolution assuring the President that Texas would lend him all assistance possible. The speaker appointed the House part of the joint committee to confer with the Federal authorities looking to a suppression of the Beef Trust.

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By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 3.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st:

Galveston, 1,999 654; New Orleans, 1 923 786; Mobile, 342 246; Savannah, 1 327,078; Charleston, 180,536; Wilmington, 289,016; Norfolk, 303,734; Baltimore, 40 120; New York, 21,881 Boston, 46,966; Newport News, 4 501; Philadelphia, 9,744; Brunswick, 187, 026; Jacksonville, 17 180; Pensacola, 123 552; Port Arthur and Sabine Pass, 140,071; Port Townsend, 54,053; San Francisco, 37 239; Portland, Ore., 8 931; El Paso, 3,135; Eagle Pass, 6 194; Laredo, 12 815; minor ports, 11,676. Total, 7,151,114 bales.

— Charlotte Observer, March 3: The contract for the erection of the negro library, at the corner of Second and Brevard streets, was yesterday awarded by Alderman J. H. Ross to W. W. Smith, the negro contractor. The papers were signed in the offices of Messrs. Clarkson and Duls. Plans submitted by Hook & Sawyer will be followed in detail, and the building promises to be one of the most modern and conveniently appointed in the country. The completion of such a building will also be noted with marked interest, as it will be the first ever constructed for the exclusive use and benefit of the negro race. The contract price is $2 063 88, and an additional $150 will be expended for plumbing and fittings, which brings the cost within the limit of the amount so voted, which was $2,250. The building will contain a lobby, a stack-room and two reading rooms, together with toilet rooms, carefully arranged as to sanitation. The contractor will begin work at an early day.

— To the surprise of not a few persons in the State the Legislature knocked out the bill which was designed to allow Paul Garrett to manufacture wine in Halifax and to sell it in sealed packages, so arranged that they could not be reused by any one else. The bill had a favorable report, but it was very promptly killed.

— Mr. Stoplate: Miss Clara, this has been one of the happiest days of my life! Clara Bytum (looking at the clock): Do you refer to — er — Monday or Tuesday? — Cleveland Leader.

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